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My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

# Method for coating a support plate and fuel cell provided with such a support plate

the specification of which: (complete (a), (b) or (c) for type of application)

#### **REGULAR OR DESIGN APPLICATION**

<b>_a</b> .[ ] _b.[ ]	is attached hereto.				
b. [ ]	was filed on	as Application			
	Serial No.	and was amended on			
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Ţc. [ <b>x</b> ]	was described and claimed in International application No	described and claimed in International application No. PCT/NL99/00624			
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, paragraph 1.56(a).

In compliance with this duty there is attached an information disclosure statement 37 CFR 1.97

#### **PRIORITY CLAIM**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35. United States Code paragraph 119 of any foreign application (s) for patent of inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent of inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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d. [ ] no such applications have been filed

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